

Allowable Subject Matter

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the closest prior art reference of record is the publication to Brodersen, cited in the previous action. However, the reference fails to teach or suggest the features of generating a test sequence of inputs for the application from the model of the application, as specified in claims 1, 12, 33, 42, 56, 65, 67 and 70. Brodersen also does not provide a menu configured to enable user initiation of a graph traversal program to generate a test sequence of inputs for the software application, with the menu further configured to enable user initiation of a test driver to apply the test sequence of inputs to the software application to test the software application, as indicated in claim 28 or the features of a graph traversal program to generate a test sequence of inputs for the software application with the user interface presenting a graph traversal menu to enable a user to select the graph traversal program in combination with the user interface presenting a test execution menu to enable a user to select the test driver program.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Chavis whose telephone number is (571) 272-3720. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th, 7:30am-4:00pm, EST.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Tuan Dam can be reached on (571) 272-3695. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Chavis', is positioned above the printed name and title.

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